

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on January 31, 2017 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 136, 1/25/2017

Executive Action: HB 46; HB 203; HB284; HB 292; HB 294

HEARING ON HB 136**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:23 Rep. Geraldine Custer (R), HD 39, opened the hearing on HB 136, Actuarial funding for the Game Wardens' and Peace Officers' Retirement System.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:04:51 Dore Schwinden, Montana Public Employees Retirement Association (MPERA)
00:06:35 George Golie, Montana Game Wardens Association (MGWA)
00:08:01 Diane Fladmo, Correctional, Probation and Parole Officers

Opponents' Testimony: None**Informational Testimony:**

00:09:42 Stephanie Morrison, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT\(aph22a01\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:12:30 Rep. Cook
00:15:59 William Holahan, Montana Public Employees Retirement Association (MPERA)
00:16:39 Vice Chair Brodehl
00:18:31 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
00:18:47 Rep. Burnett
00:19:12 George Golie, MGWA
00:20:03 Chair Ballance
00:20:21 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
00:21:05 Chair Ballance
00:21:12 Rep. Cook
00:21:19 Dore Schwinden, PERA
00:21:27 Chair Ballance
00:21:45 Rep. Patelis
00:22:05 Dore Schwinden, MPERA
00:22:40 Rep. Burnett
00:23:21 Dore Schwinden, MPERA

Closing by Sponsor:

00:23:32 Rep. Custer

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 46

00:27:32 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 46 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

00:27:47 Rep. Dudik
00:28:14 Rep. Cook
00:28:40 Rep. Dudik
00:29:10 Rep. Cook
00:29:15 Rep. Dudik

00:29:43 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cook made a substitute motion that **HB 46 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 12-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Cook, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Ellis, Rep. McCarthy and Rep. Woods voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 203

00:31:13 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 203 DO PASS**.

00:31:32 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cook made a substitute motion that **HB 203 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 16-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. McCarthy and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Ellis, Rep. McCarthy and Rep. Woods voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 284

00:32:52 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 284 DO PASS**.

00:33:13 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cook made a substitute motion that **HB 284 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 13-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Ellis, Rep. McCarthy and Rep. Woods voted by proxy.

00:34:39 Rep. Woods joined the meeting

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 292

00:34:50 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 292 DO PASS**.

00:34:59 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cook made a substitute motion that **HB 292 BE TABLED**. Substitute Motion carried 13-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Ellis and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 294

00:36:26 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 294 DO PASS**.

00:36:37 **Motion:** Rep. Keane moved that **HB 294 BE AMENDED**.
[EXHIBIT\(aph22a02\)](#)

Discussion:

00:39:26 Rep. Cook
00:40:32 Stephen Forrest, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
00:41:35 Chair Ballance
00:41:45 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:42:08 Rep. Holmlund

00:42:21 Rep. Tschida
00:42:47 Chair Ballance
00:42:58 Stephen Forrest, LFD
00:43:44 Rep. Keane
00:43:54 Chair Ballance
00:44:20 Rep. Keane

00:44:33 **Vote:** Motion failed 11-11 by roll call vote with Rep. Cook, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Keane, Rep. Knokey, Rep. Lynch, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Patelis, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting aye. Rep. Ellis and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

00:46:20 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Ballance, Rep. Bartel, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Cuffe, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. D. Jones and Rep. Tschida voting no. Rep. Ellis and Rep. McCarthy voted by proxy.

00:47:51 Chair Ballance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:48:32

Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph22aad.pdf](#))